

PATENT

Docket No.: 50427-729

: RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

In re Application of Customer Number: 20277

Confirmation Number: 7988 Hidetaka OSAWA, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1743 Serial No.: 09/781,224

Examiner: GORDON, Brian R. Filed: February 13, 2001

PIPETTING APPARATUS AND A METHOD OF PIPETTING A LIQUID For:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2003.